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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Tirrell and Tang                      Art Unit: 1654  
Application No.: 09/620,691                      Examiner: A. Gupta  
Filed: July 20, 2000                      Confirmation No.: 3160  
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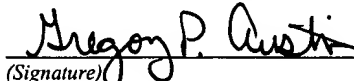
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Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

1. Petition for Extension of Time (three (3) months) (2 pgs. in duplicate);
2. Check No. 559733 in the amount of \$475.00; and
3. Return Receipt Postcard.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8	
I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, <b>May 21, 2004</b> , in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	
Gregory P. Austin (Name of Person Mailing Paper)	
 (Signature)	May 21, 2004 (Date)

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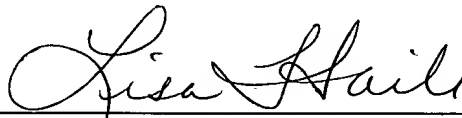
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Applicants claim **SMALL ENTITY** status in the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, a verified statement claiming small entity status is not required.

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Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 21, 2004



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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action mailed November 25, 2003.

The requested extension is for three (3) months, extending the period for response from February 25, 2004 to May 25, 2004.

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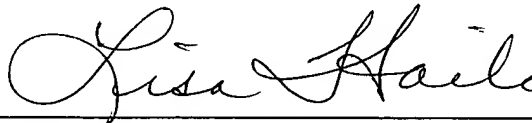
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